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WILL WETASKIWIN'S COUNCIL MEMBERS BE DISQUALIFED?

Rumor in Circulation to the Effect that New Members Are Not Qualified

Just as we go to press we learn of a rumor being circulated on the street to the effect that action will be commenced in a few days to protest the election of Mayor Montgomery, and Aldermen Cummings, Liversidge and Pendleton, who were elected as members of this year's council. We have been unable to ascertain on what ground the protest will be made, but we have been assured that action will be taken almost at once.

A regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist church will be held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Rodell on Wednesday afternoon of next week at 3.30.

WOMAN AND HER FIVE CHILDREN ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Amos, Que., Dec. 31—Joseph Perron, wife of a colonist at Lemothe, fifteen miles from this place, and her five young children were burned to death when their house was destroyed by fire. An older child saved his own life and that of a baby when he jumped from an upstairs window.

The fire started when a lamp being blown out by Perron, exploded. Perron was terribly burned. He extinguished his burning clothes by rolling in the snow. The mothe rand children were cut off in upstairs rooms.

BANK OF MONTREAL CONFIRMS REPORT

GENERAL MANAGER SIR FREDERICK WILLIAMS-TAYLOR MAKES OFFICIAL STATEMENT

(Extract from Montreal Gazette)

Speaking yesterday on the taking over of the Merchants Bank by the Bank of Montreal, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, the general manager of the Bank of Montreal, said:

"Reports have eben circulated and articles have appeared in the press in certain centres that may prove misleading to that section of the public who are unfamiliar with financial matters.

"It has been reported that any announcements with regard to the taking over of the Merchants Bank of Canada by the Bank of Montreal, have come from the former and that the Bank of Montreal has not confirmed officially their position in the transaction. You may quote me as saying that it is unquestionalby a fact that the Bank of Montreal has undertaken, subject to ratification by the shareholders—which will, no doubt, be forthcoming—to take over all the assets and liabilities of the Merchants Bank of Canada.

"Pending the completion of the necessary formalities, Mr. H. B. MacKenzie, the general manager of the Royal Trust Company, has been installed in the Merchants Bank as acting general manager, with Major S. C. Norsworthy, of this bank, as acting assistant general manager.

'The capital of the Merchants Bank is intact, and from the depositors' point of view—that is, the general creditors' point of view—the deposits in the Merchants Bank of Canada are safe beyond question, as safe as the Bank of England.

"All branches of the Merchants Bank of Canada will carry on their business as usual, and in doing so they have the full co-operation of the Bank of Montreal, with all the advantages accruing therefrom, so that the interests of Merchants Bank clients and facilities for the conduct of their business will be extended without interruption."

The concensus of opinion here, in view of this positive statement of facts, is that the depositors and clients of the Merchants Bank need have no thought as to the safety of their funds, or any misgiving as to the solvency of that institution. With the Bank of Montreal behind it, its business will continue as usual. No further assurance is necessary that depositors' funds are fully safeguarded by the action the Bank of Montreal has taken; and, in effect, while certain formalities have yet to be complied with before the bank is formally taken over, the branches of the Merchants Bank are practically now branches of the Bank of Montreal, although signs to that effect have not been posted in their windows.

U.F.A. MEETINGS

The regular meeting of the Weiler U.F.A. will be held on Friday evening January 13th, at 8 p.m.

The monthly meeting of the John Knox U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Alf. Dahms on Friday evening January 13th.

PREMIER GREENFIELD HERE NEXT TUESDAY

The citizens of Wetaskiwin and district are reminded not to overlook the dinner of the Wetaskiwin Business Men's Association to be held at the Driard Hotel next Tuesday evening, January 10th, at seven o'clock, when Premier Greenfield will be the guest of honor and will deliver an address. Only one hundred tickets are being issued for this dinner, so make your reservations early, as no more can be accommodated. Tickets may be obtained from any of the following gentlemen: H. J. Montgomery, Thos. Lawson, C. Smith, at Driard Hotel, B. M. Parker or A. P. Moan.

ALBERTA LIBERALS HOLD CONVENTION TO SELECT LEADER

If wishes expressed by several Calgary Liberals yesterday, prevail, a new leader of the Liberals in Alberta will be selected only by a convention of the party in the province.

Dr. Egbert, president of the Alberta Liberal association stated that an executive meeting of the association will be held early in the year to discuss arrangements for the calling of the convention.

"What seems to be the general opinion in the matter of having a convention to select a successor to Mr. Stewart?" the doctor was asked.

"I find that the concensus of opinion among those Liberals I discussed the matter with is that the leader ought to be selected at the convention. I don't know what the Liberal members of the house think about it, but that seems to be the feeling here."

Mr. Stewart, former premier, and as such, leader of the Liberal party in the province, automatically became leader of the Liberal opposition when his government went down to defeat last July. His retirement from that position, and from his seat in the legislature, to enter the King government at Ottawa as minister of the interior, makes it necessary for the party to select a new leader.

The question has arisen, however, whether it should be made by the Liberal members in the legislature, which now number only 11, or whether the selection should be made in an open convention of all the Liberals of the province. Calgary opinion is strong for a convention. Were the Liberals o fthe house to select a leader, the choice undoubtedly would fall on J. R. Boyle, since the northern members predominate in this group.

If a convention is held, however, the leader chosen may be a man outside of the house altogether. In that case since he could not sit in parliament, either Mr. Boyle or Mr. Mitchell would become "house leader" only" for the term of the session of the legislature.—Albertan.

BOND ISSUE TO BE PUT ON THE MARKET EARLY NEXT YEAR

Arrangements are being made at the present time by the treasury department of the provincial government to call for tenders for $3,800,000 shortly. This loan was authorized at the last session of the legislature and with the price of exchange as it is at present, it is considered a good time to put out the loan. hTe government will probably call for alternative bids, American or Canadian funds, and the interest will be 5½%.

Of th total amount $2,000,000 will be used for telephone extension; $1,136,000 for general revenue, and $710,- for railway purposes.

WEDDINGS

JOHNSON — MAYGARD

A very quiet but popular wedding took place at the manse on Wednesday afternoon of this week when Miss Inger Maria, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Maygard, of Gwynne, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Carl Adolph Johnson, also of the Gwynne district. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Pritchard. We join in extending the heartles congratulations to the happy couple.

TERM REPORT FOR BULYEA SCHOOL

The following is the standing for the term ending December 31, 1921:

Florence Olsen	83
Berthanna Revis	77
Lila Johnson	73
Caroline Dorchester	72
Lillian Johnson	72
Gladys Nelson	70
Earl Johnson	68
Jack Ellison	67
Jack Revis	66
Tom Dorchester	66
Inglo Holmlund	65
Gordon Johnson	65
Inez Hilgartner	61
Villa Dorchester	59
George Rhodes	53
Victor Johnson	46
Tillie Holmlund	39

Wetaskiwin Council Organizes; Economy Will Be Watchword

Standing Committees Re-arranged and Adopted. Hospital and Health Boards Are Formed. Ald. Liversidge Elected Deputy Mayor. Dr. McColgan, is M.H.O. Citizens Make an Appeal Regarding Taxation. Committees are Requested to Meet and Consider Recommendations Tending to Economy. Regular Meetings to be Held Tuesday Nights. Assistant Engaged for City Office.

The first meeting of the city council for 1922 was held in the council chamber on Tuesday evening with all members in attendance.

After the minutes of the previous meeting had been adopted, the secretary treasurer reported that Mayor Montgomery and Ald. Liversidge, Cummings and Pendleton had taken the oath of office and were eligible to sit on the board.

Mayor Montgomery then delivered an inaugural address, stating that it was twelve years since he had a seat on the council, but now when the citizens had placed confidence in him he would do his utmost to further the interests of Wetaskiwin. He realized that the year 1922 would be one of the hardest to finance in the experience of the city, and he asked for the cooperation of all the aldermen, and the ratepayers as well. This council was faced with a deficit of about $15,000, and there were approximately $50,000 in unpaid taxes, which were not all collectable. The policy of the council would be economy and retrenchment in whatever has to be done.

It was then moved by Pendleton and Liversidge—That the mayor submit a draft of the committees for the year.

His Worship then explained that he had thought it advantageous to change the committees somewhat from what they had previously been and in doing so, he had in mind dividing the work as equitably as possible among them. He then named the committees as follows: Public Works; Finance; Public Property, Health and Relief; Police, Fire and License; Light and Water; Power Plant and Gas Wells.

After discussion, the recommendation of the mayor was adopted, on motion of Liversidge and Pendleton; Ald. Compton and Enman dissenting.

His Worship was then requested to give the personnel of the committees, which he did as follows, the first named in each case being chairman:

Public Works — Ald. Cummings, Compton and Enman.

Finance—Ald. Liversidge, MacEachern and Pendleton.

Public property, health and relief—Ald. Compton, Pendleton and Cummings.

Police, fire and license—Ald. MacEachern, Liversidge and Enman.

Light and Water—Ald. Enman, Compton and Cummings.

Power Plant and Gas Wells—Ald. Pendleton, Liversidge and MacEachern.

After a short consideration, it was moved by Liversidge and Pendleton—That the personnel of committees as submitted be adopted. This was carried, Ald. Compton and Enman dissenting.

Compton, MacEachern—That Ald. Enman be appointed deputy mayor for the first quarter of 1922. Ald. Enman declined, explaining that he expected to be out of the city considerable of the time.

It was then moved by Pendleton and Cummings—That Ald. Liversidge be deputy mayor for the first three months. Carried.

Pendleton, Cummings — That Alex. Knox be retired from the office of city solicitor and he be requested to turn over to the secretary treasurer all books, papers and money now in his possession, belonging to the city, and that he also present his statement of account for services rendered for consideration at the next meeting of the council. Carried Ald. Compton, and Enman dissenting.

Liversidge, MacEachern — That C. H. Russell be appointed solicitor for the current year.

Ald. Liversidge gave notice that at the next meeting he would introduce a bylaw appointing Mr. Russell solicitor.

Dr. McColgan made application for the position of medical health officer, for 1922. This was accepted, after Dr. Stevenson, who was nominated by Ald. Liversidge, withdrew his name.

The hospital board was then formed with the following members: Ald. Cummings, Pendleton, Liversidge, Mrs. Christopher, Mrs. Knox, Mrs. Rodell, F. G. Klyft, E. B. Asselstine, C. H. Russell, and Mayor Montgomery.

The health board for 1922 will be composed of Mayor Montgomery, the city engineer, chief of police, sanitary inspector, the medical health officer, H. L. Higgs, R. N. Shaw, and Ald. Compton.

Ald. MacEachern gave notice that at next meeting he would introduce a bylaw appointing a medical health officer for 1922.

Oliver Roulstone, who spoke on behalf of a number of citizens, then addressed the meeting at length. He referred to the city's financial position, and the possibility of having an increased tax rate for this year, and quoted figures. He suggested three ways to overcome the difficulty facing the council. He concluded by warning the council that the taxes were now the limit, and more would be unbearable.

The secretary of the public school board wrote asking for a payment of $3850 to meet debenture payments. Referred to finance committee.

The finance committee was instructed to interview the bank and make arrangements for financing the city until the time of payment of taxes.

The Wetaskiwin Produce Co. wrote re the 20 h.p. motor the city has been using for some time, and now requesting a rental of $8.00 a month, and the motor must be kept in good running order. This was referred to the power plant and gas wells committee.

The matter of ordering dog tags was referred to the police, fire and license committee.

Oil and coal tenders were referred to the power plant and gas wells committee to bring in a recommendation at the next meeting.

A letter from the Business Men's Association re licenses was referred to the police, fire and license committee.

The matter of purchasing an overcoat for the chief of police was referred to the committee.

It was agreed that the regular meetings of the council for the year be held every other Tuesday, commencing on January 3rd.

The mayor asked all committees to meet before the next council meeting and discuss in detail all work in their depatments and make recommendations to council where any savings could be made.

Miss Stromsen was engaged as office assistant at a salary of $65.00 a month, duties to continue during the pleasure of the council.

The secretary was instructed to send out copies of the minutes of the council to each of the aldermen not later than two days after the holding of such meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

INDIANS MISS CARIBOU AND CANNIBALISM IS REPORTED

Edmonton, Dec. [illegible] discover whether the caribou-eater tribes of Indians have resorted to cannibalism, is giving a number of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police force a long and dangerous journey into the barren lands north of Lake Athabasca, and a party is now leaving Fort Fitzgerald to investigate the matter.

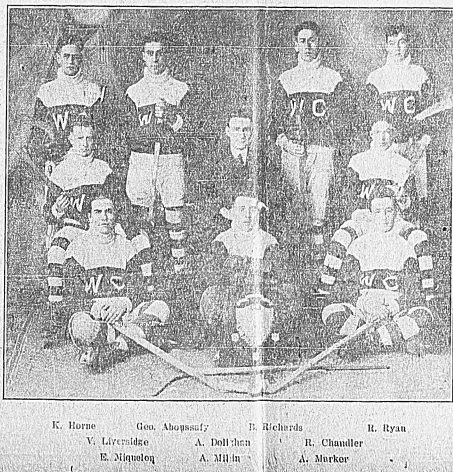
Reports which reached the northern detachment of Canada's frontier force last summer stated the caribou-eater Indians who hunt in the barren lands, had missed the annual migration of the caribou herds from the shores of the Arctic and were in consequence starving and, furthermore, they had killed some members of the tribe and had resorted to cannibalism.

The personnel of the party consists of one constable of the R.C.M.P., an Indian guide and two dog team drivers with two teams of huskies. The party will penetrate the barrens for a distance of approximately 400 miles northeast of Fort Fitzgerald, and will be absent for two months. The country through which they will travel is a howling wilderness; no food can be obtained, so the party must carry with them sufficient for the entire trip.

If there be any reason to suspect that crimes have been committed, the constable will return to civilization with his prisoners. It is impossible to reach the country during the open season.

WETASKIWIN CRYSTALS

The team representing this city in the Triangular Hockey League



K. Horne Geo. Aboussafy B. Richards R. Ryan
V. Liversidge A. Dolighan R. Chandler
E. Miquelon A. Millin A. Marker

WETASKIWIN RETAINS WHYTE & ORR TROPHY

Two rinks of Wetaskiwin curlers went to Killam last Wednesday evening and brought home the Whyte & Orr trophy, both rinks winning by a small margin.

On Monday afternoon, the same rinks were called upon to defend the cup against two rinks from Daysland, and a large crowd assembled to witness the competition. Geo. Grabham defeated his Daysland opponent by a score of 20 to 7, and R. Murray won from Carbee of Daysland by 19 to 12.

DEPARTMENTS OF PROV. GOVERNMENT ARE RE-ORGANIZED

Included in the re-organization of provincial government departments, will be the grouping up of all mental institutions under the provincial health department. Heretofore, the provincial asylum at Ponoka and the mental home for soldiers at Red Deer have been under the department of public works. The home for mental deficients, which will this year be moved from its present quarters in South Edmonton to the new site on the Fort trail, has been under the department of education. This will materially increase the scope and responsibility of the department of health under Hon. R. G. Reid.

The labor bureaus are being transferred from the provincial treasurer's department to the public works under the jurisdiction of Hon. Alex Ross.

Irrigation and Drainage goes to the department of railways and telephones under the Hon. Vernon Smith.

The new government is undertaking a complete re-classification of departments and these are some of the changes that will be made.

OBITUARY

SIMON FRASER

Another of the pioneer citizens of the district passed out of this life on January 2nd, in the person of Simon Fraser, of North Pigeon Lake, at the age of about eighty years. He was one of the early settlers in Central Alberta, and in the pioneer days was well known in Edmonton and the Pigeon Lake districts, where he was an extensive hunter and trapper. He leaves a family of three sons and four daughters. The funeral took place at Pigeon Lake.

S. D. BIDINGER

It was with deep regret that we learned of the sudden death on the 27th of December, 1921, of Mr. Samuel David Bidinger, one of the old timers of the Wetaskiwin district at his birthplace in Iowa.

He was born at Quasqueton, Buchanan county, Iowa, in the year 1853, and resided with his parents until 1872 when he was married to Miss Sophia Foster, and from that union seven children survive him. He lost his first wife in 1894. Five years later he married Mrs. Wm. Bower and came to Alberta in the the spring of 1904. He homesteaded in the Brightview district, where he lived until 1918 when he sold his farm and has sinve, visited with his children, until last spring when he was called back to his old home to care for his aged mother, where he remained until his death.

He was of a bright and cheerful disposition and although he experienced many sorrows and hardships he bore them without complaint. He was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America for the past twenty years.

His remains were accompanied back here by his wife and brother, A. T. Bidinger. Besides his wife and aged mother he leaves to mourn his loss; two brothers and two sisters and seven children, namely, Mrs. R. L. Caldwell of Spokane; Mrs. Thos. Toreson and B. J. Bidinger of Wetaskiwin, J. F. Bidinger of Brightview, Mrs. Clarence James, S. C. Bidinger and Mrs. A. J. Taylor of Ponoka.

The funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church on January 2 by Rev. W. H. Irwin. The remains were tenderly laid away in the Wetaskiwin cemetery. The pallbearers were his three sons, John, Sam and Bud, and A. J. Taylor, Clarence James and Ed. Toreson.

ORLINDA A. QUARNSTROM

There passed away at the Parsonage in New Sweden on Friday, Dec. 30, 1921, Orlinda, A., beloved wife of Rev. G. A. Quarnstrom. The late Mrs. Quarnstrom had been ailing for several years but during the last three months she was confined entirely to bed. She was a patient sufferer and has now been called home to be with her lord and Saviour whom she dearly loved.

Deceased was born in Portland, Ore., March 16, 1885, being at date of death aged 36 years, 9 months and 14 days. She was married May 25, 1910, to Rev. G. A. Quarnstrom and has since then labored with her husband in the Master's service at different places in the United States. In May last she came with her husband and children to Alberta and although her stay amongst us was brief, yet she endeared herself to all who met her.

She leaves to mourn her loss, a sorrowing husband and three young children, Leonard, Roland and Ruth; a mother (who came up from Portland, Ore., and has been with her daughter during the latter's last illness) and a brother in Portland; as well as a large circle of friends.

A touching and impressive service was held in the Mission church, New Sweden at 2.00 p.m. on Sunday, New Year's Day. Rev. Hindorff, Rev. A. Swanstrom and Rev. C. G. Engvall spoke in Swedish, after which Rev. Wingblad read various telegrams of sympathy received from distant relatives and friends, and also spoke in English. Appropriate music was rendered by the Malmo and Highland Park choirs and a solo by Miss Hindorff.

In accordance with the expressed wish of the deceased, very few flowers were given, but a floral offering was taken at the church and given to the home mission.

The remains were sent to Portand, Ore., where they will be tenderly laid away to await the glad day of resurrection. Rev. Quarnstrom and the deceased's, mother accompanied the remains to Portland.

WETASKIWIN WINS 1ST LEAGUE GAME FROM PONOKA BOYS

Win Opening Game By a 5 to 4 Score. Play Ten Minutes Overtime

The Wetaskiwin Crystals went to Ponoka on Monday last to play the opening game in the Triangular Hockey League. The game was very even throughout, and at the end of the time the score was a tie, four to four. During the overtime play of ten minutes, Ryan, of Wetaskiwin, tallied the winning goal. Two of the Crystals' goals were scored by Ryan, two by Dolighan and one by Horne.

Wetaskiwin—		—Ponoka
Millin	goal	McLeod
Godfrey	defence	James
Miquelon	defence	Morgan
Ryan	centre	Stephens
Dolighan	forward	Sayers
Horne	forward	Longman
Brock	sub	Reddick

The next league game will be played here on Monday next, when Leduc will be the opposing team.

BONSPIEL STARTS IN WETASKIWIN ON JANUARY 16TH

The annual bonspiel of the Wetaskiwin Curling Club commences on Monday, January 16, when it is expected that a number of outside rinks will be in attendance. Eight hundred dollars is being offered in prizes, and there will be the following competitions: Grand Challenge, Loggie, Carruthers, Consolation, and Points. The first games will be played at eleven o'clock on Monday, the 16th, and there will be five draws daily. Entries must be made with C. B. McMurdo, the bonspiel secretary, not later than the 14th.

BUTTER MOVEMENT IS CAREFULLY WATCHED

Butter prices [illegible] every indication that the next prices will be in a downward direction, although there is no immediate reason to start worrying. The first shipment of New Zealand butter is due to arrive at Vancouver this week, but so far as The Examiner has learned there are only about 8,000 boxes for that market, the remainder being consigned to eastern points. Of course if the eastern dealers find they can get their butter cheaper from the old country than they can on this shipment, it may result in it remaining in the west. It makes the outlook uncertain. However, any butter which the Alberta creameries have to spare can be handily disposed of at the coast for the present.

Dairy butter is coming in more freely and the fancy table is still popular.

Cream prices unchanged and will remain up as long as present values are maintained.

In Edmonton district milk prices will drop to $2.50 per hundred pounds after January 1st.—Examiner.

BORN

BJORKLAND—At Crooked Lake on the 28th ult., to Mr. and Mrs. J. Bjorkland, a daughter.

IRONMONGER—In Wetaskiwin on the 29th ult., to Mr. and Mrs. H. Ironmonger, a daughter.

GROVES—In Wetaskiwin, on the 3rd inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Groves, a daughter, Martha Elizabeth, (still-born).

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Chaos and Things

There's some new crisis every day, some new and ghastly evil; and people wring their hands and say, now for the great upheaval! Our native land! The coming wind will from its moorings drive us; this crisis has all others skinned, and nothing can survive it. Oh, yes, we have been scared before our feet have oft been chilly; but this new crisis at the door is bound to knock things silly. Now chaos comes and no mistake, the future's bleak and foggy, and while our well known bulwarks break, palladiums are groggy." And still our country jogs along despite our frenzied dreaming, and still there sounds the dinner gong, and still the sun is beaming. And as of old the son of toil will amply store his larder, if he will plow the fertile soil and hoe his beans with ardor. The man who promptly pays his debts will see no crisis prod him; he ranks among our safest bets, and all the boys applaud him. The man who wisely saved his rocks when other men were blowing, can smile, though crises come in flocks, when he is homeward going. There is a crisis every day, with matinees bi-weekly, but when it mets the thrifty jay, it pulls its stunts fuite meekly.—Walt Mason.

GET IT DONE

It isn't the job we intended to do,
Or the labo rwe've just begun,
That puts us right on the balance sheet;
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"On Time"

(By Theodora Marshall Inglis)

Owing to the scarcity of laborers, the Eatonville school was two months late in opening. Old James McWhirter, senior member of the school board, had thriftily calculated this delay; the salaries of the two young teachers he had engaged were not to begin until the first Monday after Thanksgiving.

The teachers, Agnes Lang and Mabel Deming, were juniors in college who had to earn at least half of their expenses; therefore, the delay at Eatonville was annoying. But they decided to keep on with their college work until Thanksgiving time. Their regular schoolday routine was only broken once, when Mr. McWhirter himself telephoned them to meet him downtown at one of the hotels.

Now, Mr. James McWhirter, senior member of the school board, had not realized how young his prospective teachers were until they stood before him—Mabel was twenty, Agnes was nineteen—one with blue and the other with brown eyes, but both rosy cheeked, and both smiling with the delight of the prospect of having a school and a salary.

Mr. James McWhirter grew instantly more cautious and dictatorial than he would have been with older and more experienced teachers, and he placed his last emphasis upon his particular hobby.

"Now, see here, young women," he said and the grizzled beard encircling his ruddy face fairly bristled, "don't let anything keep you from being at Eatonville on time to open school on Monday morning, December first, at 9 o'clock sharp. Young teachers have a lot to learn, and mebbe being on time is one of them."

"Now, there's nothin' more important in the business world than bein' prompt, bein' ready—bein' on time for your job. Our district's gone to lots of expense to build this new, two-room schoolhouse. We're eight weeks late now, and there's fifty-five pupils out there just markin' time till you can open the door Monday morning, December first."

"Marking time! Waiting for school to open! That's a good one, Uncle James. Don't say any more or you'll frighten these young ladies away from Eatonville altogether!" Dr. Donald McWhirter, who had entered the hotel parlor unobserved, laughingly joined the little group.

"Well, just the same," old James said obstinately, for, although Dr. Donald was a rising young railway doctor, he was not to be deferred to a matter of life-long principle. "Just the same, I advise 'em to be prompt if they want to get the right start in the Eatonville district."

"I promise you, Mr. McWhirter, that Miss Deming and I will arrive in Eatonville the day after Thanksgiving!" said Agnes.

"Of course we shall," said Mabel. "Why, I'll be there whether Agnes is or not, and she has a wonderful reputation for being on time."

"Well, there's nothing like it—bein' on time."

The senior board member departed in a much mollified frame of mind.

Agnes and Mabel laughed over old Mr. McWhirter's oft-repeated advice as they stepped from the train at Falchan late Thanksgiving afternoon. Here, of necessity, they were to spend the night; the next morning they would take the branch line for Eatonville ten miles distant. Although Falchan was on the main line, it consisted merely of a boarding house for section hands, a combined grocery and post office, a grain elevator and the sation house, which served also as a place of residence for the young station agent, his wife and two babies.

To the girls' dismay, they found the boarding house closed.

"Flu—two men died, and everybody else lit out!" said the grocer laconically. "But" he said, "I'm dead sure that Mrs. Bob over at the station will let you girls sleep on her davenport in her best parlor."

Mrs. Bob was hospitable, despite the fact that her pretty face looked too pale and that she was feeling, as she said, "all dragged out" and Agnes and Mabel were appreciative. They helped Mrs. Bob with the supper dishes, played with the friendly babies and then retired to the davenport.

After they were once settled round the humps and into the hollows, they slept soundly. Indeed, Agnes thought the night had only just begun when she was suddenly aware that someone was knocking and calling insistently. She sprang up, threw on her kimona, and opened the door. The station agent stood there looking haggard and nervous in the dim light.

"It's Nellie my wife. She was taken sick in the night with an awful pain in her chest and across her back. She's got a fever already, and I'm afraid of pneumonia. The baby's crying and I was wonderin' if one of you young ladies would lend me a hand for a little while?"

"Of course I will—I'll be out in a minute." Agnes closed the door and began fairly to throw on her clothes.

"Agnes," Mabel called sharply, rising upon her elbow. "Agnes, I heard what Mr. Wilson said about his wife. Don't you go near her room! She has the influenza and you simply must consider yourself first. We are not in a position to run any risk!

"Well, Mabel, you stay in here and I'll run the risk for both of us." Agnes said and left the room. Mabel sank tearfully back on her couch and soon fell asleep again.

When she awakened later, her wrist watch showed that it was eight o'clock; but the sky was still dull and grey. She rose hurriedly and crossed over to the window. Outside the ground was white, and the snow was falling softly and steadily. Just then Agnes opened the door.

"Hurry, Mabel! Here's a cup of coffee and some toast! Your train will be here in just fifty minutes."

"My train—you mean our train, don't you Agnes?"

"No, not mine, today; I'll join you tomorrow," Agnes spoke quickly. "Mr. Wilson has telegraphed for a nurse and a doctor. He feels sure they'll be out here this afternoon, but I can't leave until they come."

"A nurse! Why, there are ten places for every nurse and not half enough doctors to do the work in either Colorado Springs or Denver. But that's not the point, Agnes; your place is in Eatonville; You've contracted for the work, and you gave that Mr. McWhirter a solemn promise to be there on time. Moreover, just see how it's snowing. It doesn't take much snow to stop these little branch trains. I shouldn't think that you'd risk breaking your word and exposing both of us to the flu in the bargain."

"I don't wish to do either," replied Agnes, and her brown eyes filled, "but here is where I am most needed today, and here is where I shall stay. There's the baby crying now."

With Mabel's renewed approaches ringing in her ears, Agnes hurried away. However, she did not have to stand them very long, for soon the Eatonville train lumbered in, and Mabel climbed hastily aboard. It was a wrench for Agnes to see her friend leave without her, and Mabel did not make matters easier for her.

"Well, Agnes," she said, "no doubt you are helping these people out; but you have a queer idea of your obligations. Now, I, for one, take no risks of breaking my word. I said that I would be there on time, and on time I mean to be."

Agnes had small leisure to worry over Mabel's ideals of duty; all day long, her heart, hands and eyes were filled with the human needs that pressed on her from every side. Her first concern was for the sick woman who lay in high fever and extreme pain. For a girl of nineteen years Agnes possessed a large fund of common sense, and she had an intuitive knowledge of nursing; added to those qualities was the practical knowledge of having once fetched and carried for a trained nurse when her foster mother lay sick with pneumonia. Instinctively the distraught young husband gave Agnes the helm and did her bidding without question, but the responsibility was great, and the girl's heart sank when the waning day and the last snow-covered evening train brought neither doctor nor nurse.

"We're in for a bad night," Wilson said soberly. "The company's just telegraphed that a doctor and nurse will be out in the morning, but if it keeps on snowin' like this—well, I don't know how things will be with Nellie by that time."

It was a bad night, a black night, the shadows of which were lightened for Agnes only by the white flame of prayer that rose unceasingly from her heart.

Slowly the long darkness wore to dawn, but with the dull morning the watchers' hearts sank. It was snowing as if it meant to snow forever. At eight o'clock a huge snowplough went by; at ten, it came back and ran out over the branch to Eatonville. Agnes might have gone with the crew, but Wilson did not suggest such a thing, and she neither considered nor regretted the lost opportunity. At that time, Eatonville and her precious little school seemed of strangely little moment compared with the work at hand; and work it was; for neither doctor nor nurse followed in the wake of the snowplough. At one o'clock that day the express pulled laboriously through, and after that the snow had things its own way.

After the express no train went by but the telegraph instruments continued to click until four o'clock, and then they suddenly ceased. Frantically young Wilson called to the outside world, but called in vain.

"The wires are down! It's all up with Nellie! No doctor or nurse can get here through the snow now!" he said.

"Nonsense!" replied Agnes. "The wires may start again any time, and, the snowplough can do wonders. Come, I need you to help move your wife's bed over near the big front window. She needs more air."

"Air!" cried Wilson. "Are you crazy? More air will kill her! We can't do that." He shook his head obstinately.

"We have to do it!" Agnes' voice was sharp and firm. "Your wife is gasping for breath. She must have more air. We'll keep her good and warm with blankets and hot water bottles; we'll keep the fire going, and we'll put her near the window, but not in a draft. Come!"

Wilson helped push his wife's bed over near the open window.

The second night was busier than the first. Wilson stoked the fires and watched while Agnes refilled the hot water bottles and varied her administrations in the sick room by soothing the restless baby. Dawn came slowly through the still falling snow, and Agnes realized that she must summon every ounce of strength and every vestige of courage to do the actual necessary work and to combat the despondency of Wilson.

What she got for their meals, she could not remember, except that Aitken, the weather-beaten grocery man fought the drifts to bring canned milk, canned vegetables, canned soup, bacon and whatever else seemed most palatable.

That Sunday afternoon, Aitken came again, and, seconded by Wilson insisted on keeping the children in the kitchen while Agnes slept a little. So Agnes had three hours of good sleep; but when she was roused by

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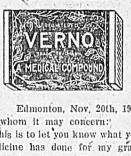
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The New Year

Happy New Year! With each recurring new year this seasonable greeting and wish is extended by millions of people to each other. In some cases no doubt, it is done as a mere matter of form, but probably the vast majority of people do sincerely hope that the incoming year may bring a larger measure of happiness and prosperity to their friends and neighbors, their country and the world.

The extending of this oldtime wish "Happy New Year," if it is a sincere wish, implies much more than the utterance of the words. It imposes an obligation. If we sincerely wish that the new year may be a happy one, it is our duty to put forth the best that is in us, to assist in bringing about a realization of our desire. And if all our New Year greetings and hearty handclasps are accompanied with a resolve to interpret them in definite action throughout the year there is not the slightest question but that the new year will be a most happy one.

There is every reason why 1922 should far surpass 1921 in happiness and prosperity for all. It is inconceivable, for instance that those western Canadian provinces should experience a repetition of the disasters which overtook the agricultural producers this year. Several years of poor crops in various sections of the country culminated this year in a crop satisfactory on the whole so far as quantity of grain was concerned, but which, in the aggregate, did not yield to the producers the costs of production. Large in volume as the crop proved to be, it was a debt-producing crop rather than a debt paying crop. Such a condition is not likely to be repeated in 1922.

Industrial conditions were far from favorable during the year now closing, with the result that, not in Canada alone, but to an even greater extent in other countries, there was unemployment. The concensus of opinion now seems to be that the worst in this respect is past and that the new year will show a steady improvement. While taxation must for some years continue to be heavy in order to pay the war bills of the nations, the cost of living is steadily falling, so that the wage earner and the heads of families can look forward to a larger measure of relief on this score.

A survey of world conditions is also hopeful. The dark cloud which has been hanging over our Empire in connection with Ireland, and which threatened to break in a terrible storm of civil war, seems about to be dissipated. After long centuries of turmoil, agitation and strife, the Irish question appears to be on the eve of an amicable settlement.

The much heralded Washington conference of the nations on the limitation of naval armaments has been a wonderful, almost a miraculous success. The nations have found a basis of agreement to end the costly and dangerous race for naval supremacy. The probability of future wars is thus greatly lessened, and along with the removal of that threat, which was paralyzing the financial, industrial, commercial and political world, confidence is returning and with it renewed business activity is certain. The reduction in the burden of taxation will likewise be considerable and will become more and more apparent as time passes.

All these circumstances give assurance that it is no idle wish to extend the greeting of "Happy New Year." While the world has long lacked is confidence. Let confidence be restored, and economic conditions will soon right themselves. I should, however, be borne in mind that each individual citizen can exert a powerful influence in the right direction. Never more than now was there a time when the dead past should be allowed to bury its dead. Rather, like St. Paul, the Canadian people should forget those things which are behind, and press toward those things which are before.

Pessimistic feelings should be curbed. Blue ruin talk rigidly avoided. Expressions of confidence and words of hopefulness and encouragement ought to flow from every mouth, and our actions should be in keeping with our words. If a person finds himself or herself indulging in pessimistic feelings and the language of discouragement and despair, they should stop short. Such an attitude neither benefits themselves or anybody else. It is a positive detriment to progress, destroys confidence and is a constant source of unhappiness.

Begin the new year right by cultivating a cheerful and hopeful disposition. It will make for happiness, your own and others. It is the basic foundation of a "Happy New Year."

The Passing Year

The year 1921 has been one of reconstruction. The world is still in the shadow of the great war, and the efforts of the people of all the nations have been directed to building up what was so ruthelessly torn down. The task has been slow, in some cases very discouraging. It can never be spectacular or dramatic.

But, all in all, the work of the year has not been uneventful. There has been a slow, but regular return to such normal conditions as are desirable. There has been a return to more reasonable prices. There has as yet been no apparent return to commercial activity and confidence which preceded the war, and which rose to an unusual height in the war years.

Another feature of the year is the efforts of the nations to effect some sort of a permanent and lasting peace. That is directly due to the war. The nations have not made as much progress as many expected, but there is unmistakeable evidence that in the hearts of the people there is a hatred of war, which is bound eventually to crystalize into some active form. The nations are still suspicious of one another. Complete understanding does not exist with Germany. Russia is still without the pale. The nations of the entente do not understand one another fully. But the trend has been towards peace, towards disarmament. There is some encouragement to the people who yearn for the approach of the day when wars shall be no more.

In political affairs the confusion which followed on the war still exists. The people, dissatisfied with conditions as they are, have small patience with governments. This has been apparent in Canada for it has been a bad year for governments. The Stewart government which pursued the policy of 'safe and sound' was overturned, and the Meighen government was almost annihilated in the most decisive defeat that any administration ever met in this country.

In western Canada the agrarian movement, with its lofty ideals and good intentions, has been sweeping everything before it.

In combination with labor, it has driven out the Conservative party entirely and now not a trace remains, and has permitted the election of only two liberals in the three prairie provinces. No person in 1611 could have imagined such a development.

Business has shown a slow but steady swing towards more solid conditions. The deflation following the war, the readjustment of prices, something necessary before genuine progress can be made, have necessarily been slow, and have been accompanied by serious conditions in some lines. But the country has stood the change fairly well. The farmer has felt the change more than other businesses, as his revenue has shrunk very greatly because of the slump in prices, while his outlay has not greatly decreased. Combined with poor crops in certain parts of the west, the result has not been very satisfactory.

But despite everything, the country has come through fairly well. With all the unemployment, the province is in a condition as satisfactory as it was twelve months ago. We are holding our own. We are losing no ground. That is all we could expect. Despite gloomy forebodings at the beginning of the year, 1921 closes without disaster, and 1922 opens under fairly satisfactory conditions with the bright promise of a successful year.—Albertan.

"ON TIME"

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the baby's crying, it took all her will to throw off the inertia that gripped her mind and body. She rose, walked unsteadily into the kitchen, and, almost mechanically lifting the crying baby, sat down heavily in the old morris chair near the stove. Aiken glanced keenly at her white face; then he poured out a cup of strong black coffee from the pot on the stove.

"Here, miss, drink this, and you just get there and rest up a bit. Mrs. Bob seems to be sleeping, and Bob's sleeping, too, and now I'll cook the supper."

"Cook! Can you cook?" Agnes asked, smiling a little.

"Yes'm. I'm a fine cook." Aiken replied, grinning broadly. "Jus' give me a can opener, and who should worry."

No one did worry about that supper. Aitken literally cooked it out of the cans, and they ate it by the light of an oil lamp. Fatigue sat with them, and apprehension, yet for all that it was a rare meal, for it was seasoned and flavored with kindness and unselfishness. Agnes ate with the baby in her lap, while the three-year-old beat a tatoo in the high chair at her side. Aitken sat near the stove, and stretching out his long arms he filled their plates hot from the pans.

"There ain't nothing like this cafeteria style, is there?" he queried, cheerful. "Only I goes on one heefer for I like wash up my own dishes."

But as night drew on Nellie Wilson grew rapidly worse. Her delirium increased. Whenever he could, Wilson bent over the telegraph instruments, but his every call for help fell dead at his finger tips. The last time he was gone so long that Agnes followed and found him sobbing like a child.

"It's all up with Nellie! She'll never pull through the night. Oh, what shall we do without Nellie?"

Agnes was tired to the very marrow of her bones and worn with anxiety, but she laid her hand gently on her shoulder.

"Don't," she said firmly. "Don't give up this way. Your wife is a very sick woman, but she's young, and sicker people have recovered, and—" "there's one big remedy I am depending on. I've been using it ever since the first."

"What's that?" Wilson lifted his head eagerly.

"It's an old-fashioned remedy," Agnes said softly, and her brown eyes were luminous in her pale face. "But when we use it earnestly and then do all we can with our hands and brains, God does not expect us to do more."

"You mean prayer?" Wilson whispered.

"Yes, I mean prayer."

Agnes went out of the room, closing the door softly behind her.

The sick woman did not apparently grow any better as the night approached, but Wilson came out of the little station room with renewed courage written visibly on his countenance. Just what had happened behind that closed door only Wilson and another knew; but Agnes guessed and a glow warmed her heart and helped her through the long night and the bad day that followed.

It was really Monday, Monday afternoon, when she should have been snugly settled at Eatonville. Why, she was engaged to open school there that morning! Old Mr. McWhirter had demanded that she be there on time. Well, she would have the disapproval of not only the senior member but of the whole board and town as well. Maybe they would not want her at all! A few tears fell on the baby's downy head, but she brushed them away with determination. Sick people must be attended to, school or no school, and babies must be cared for even if they were fat and heavy and cried a good deal.

For the first time that day the sick woman lay quiet, but she was pale and haggard, her nostrils looked pinched and her breath was fluttering softly through her parted lips. At the bedside her young husband knelt and prayed.

How long he knelt there Wilson never knew—a half hour maybe. Suddenly he rose and thrust his head out of the open window. The snow had ceased. He scarcely noted that, however, for the sound that he had heard came again, faint, far away, but unmistakeable: "Chu-chu-chu!" Then a shrill whistle.

With the tears streaming down his face, Wilson leaned, trembling, against the window sill and prayed that help might not have come too late. A moment afterwards he looked round for Agnes, but, finding her and the baby fast asleep in the kitchen, he closed the door and left them undisturbed.

"She's worn out!" he muttered, "clean worn out. Let her sleep, Mebbe there's nothing more'n a snowplough, anyway."

"But there was more than a snowplough, and it followed the plough within twentyfive minutes. It was an engine with a mail car and one coach attached. From the coach three men and one woman descended. They were the most experienced physician of the company and a nurse, and also young Dr. Donald McWhirter and his uncle, James McWhirter, who had been snow-bound in Colorado Springs.

The station agent, moved almost beyond speech, ushered them into the living room, and a few minutes later the two doctors and the nurse were closeted in the sick chamber.

After a brief interval that seemed an eternity to the waiting husband, Dr. Donald re-entered the living room to give him the wonderful news. His wife had evidently passed the crisis and with careful nursing would recover. Wilson's haggard face turned radiant; he went across the little hall to his wife's room, and soon came back. "Tell her," he said, "Tell Miss Lang. She's in the kitchen."

Yes, Miss Lang, pale, with dishevelled hair and rumpled dress, was in the kitchen fast asleep; her feet were upon the hearth and the rosy baby was cuddled against her. Nothing had wakened either her or the baby. At the name, 'Miss Lang' McWhirter, senior, had followed his nephew; but when the door opened upon the sleeping girl, both men instinctively drew back. However, Wilson was at their elbows and gently pushed them over the threshold.

"See this young girl, Mr. McWhirter said the agent huskily. "There's a girl in ten thousand, I want to tell you. She's going to teach your school in Eatonville. Came out here with the other teacher last Thursday afternoon just on purpose to get to your place in good time on Monday, dead set on gettin' there; but my wife was taken awful sick so suddenly that Miss Lang here said she wouldn't leave until the doctor and a nurse came. The other girl tried her best to take her along—insisted that her duty was to the school and threw up some promise Miss Lang here had made to you about bein' on time. It was showin' then, and both girls knew there was a good chance of gettin' snowed up, and Miss Lang could have gone on Saturday morning with the snowplough crew, but my wife was worse, and she would not leave her and the babies—she's watched and worked night and day until she's most dead for sleep. The doctor in there says it was giving Nellie plenty of air and keeping her warm that helped most to save her, and that's all owing to this young girl. I don't know what you'll think of her as a teacher, Mr. McWhirter, but she's every inch a woman, and she's done some things for us out here that I can't even tell about."

It would not have been true Scotch for McWhirter, senior, to betray just how deeply he was moved, but the man stepped over to the morris chair and turned brusquely to Dr. Donald.

"Here, Donald," he said. "you're more used to handling babies than I am. Suppose you lift this young one from Miss Lang's lap, and Wilson and I'll let down this chair and push it into some quiet place where she can get a real good sleep."

Young Dr. Donald, strangely flushed for one of his profession, came over and very gently took the sleeping baby from Agnes' relaxed embrace, but as the baby left her arms and the chair began to descend, Agnes roused and sat up.

"Oh!" she cried, for she had been dreaming a confused, unhappy dream in which Mr. James McWhirter had been the predominating figure. "Oh" she exclaimed earnestly, drawing a quick little breath and apparently not at all surprised to see the senior member of the school board at her side. "Oh, Mr. McWhirter, I didn't forget about being on time at Eatonville, and I meant to be there, but it just seemed that I couldn't leave here."

"Now, now, lassie, never ye mind the being-on-time business." Old Mr. McWhirter's frosty blue eyes were dim. "Bebbe I said too much about promptness, for there's some things bigger and greater than being on time and what you've done out here is one of them. Never you mind school's starting. It won' start anyway till the loirns can get there, which is several days off yet. But tomorrow, when the road's cleared, you'll go with me home and rest up a bit. Now then the doctor is here and the nurse is here, and Mrs. Wilson going to live, the doctors say; so do you, like a good lassie, go back to sleep!"

Slowly the exhausted girl comprehended it all and then strangely, they good news seemed to become part of a wonderful dream, a dream in which old James McWhirter was again foremost; but this time his stern ruddy countenance was transfigured with a tender kindness and his "Never ye mind about being on time, lassie" was as sweet music in her ears.

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SOWS FOR SALE—Verdun Home Pure Bred Yorkshires, registered, with pedigree. 25 good brood sows. We must have the big type of hogs that will mature quickly, and trying to keep one to do it is for each farmer to keep one of my bacon type sows. Write for particulars to Jos. F. Suys, R.R.1, Duhamel, Alta. Phone 2317, Wetaskiwin. 42-tfn.

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FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE — A strong serviceable Bain wagon for sale or would exchange for barley or oats. Call or phone Fullerton Fawcett Lumber Co. Ltd. Phone 85. 40-3t

FOR SALE—Two registered Shorthorn Bulls, one 4 yrs old and one calf born April 1921, both red; also White Leghorn roosters, single comb, and Plymouth Rocks, also one Fleury rapid Grinder, 12 inch with bagger. Frank Lucas, Phone R902, Wetaskiwin 39-tfn

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FOR SALE—The property of P. Burns & Co. Limited, fronting on Pearce, MacDonald and Lansdowne streets, in the centre of the business section of the city, consisting of two lots, a solid brick one storey building used for stores, and a building fit for warehouse. For all particulars including terms, apply to E.D.H. Wilkins, Wetaskiwin, Alberta. 31-tfn

For Rent

TO RENT—Six Room house, modern, close in. Apply to Brown's Photo Studio. 32-tfn

FOR RENT—Half section good mixed farm land. Terms, $90.00 per year. For sale—30 head good dairy cows, could arrange for wintering right on the place. For particulars apply to L. W. Scott, Central Creameries, Wetaskiwin. Phone 46, Pearce Street E., 41-tfn.

Estray

ESTRAY—On the premises of C.O. Hanson, Sec. 10-45-26-W4th, Brightview post office, one red and white two year old steer, with horns, no visible brands. J. D. Cowan, Brand reader, Wetaskiwin.

Impounded

IMPOUNDED—In the pound kept by the undersigned, about Dec. 16th, one brown horse, three white feet, spot on forehead and white spot on end of nose, foretop has been roached, weight about 900; aged 10 years, no brand visible. I. M. C. Jackson, poundkeeper, R4, Wetaskiwin. 42-2tn.

IMPOUNDED HORSE FOR SALE—One bay gelding, in Wetaskiwin pound, will be offered for sale on Saturday, Jan. 14th, 1922, at two o'clock p.m. The gelding weighs about 1000 lbs. and there are no visible brands. F. Higgins, poundkeeper, Wetaskiwin. 42-1tn.

IMPOUNDED—In the pound kept by the undersigned, N.E. 8-47-23, about December 20th, one red three year old steer, with lump on jaw, star on forehead, no visible brands; also one lineback steer, three years old, with indistinct brand on left hip. Both animals dehorned. F. A. Dahms, poundkeeper, Phone R1908, Box 222, Wetaskiwin. 41-2t.

"A Badly Needed Railway"

A Petition will appear shortly at all Post Offices between Rimbey and Edmonton, for the signatures of all bona-fide residents effected by the extension of a railway connecting these two places.

We trust that everyone interested will put forth every effort to have their names on this petition.

(Sgd) Emily R. Grant,
Secy, U.F.A. Telfordville Local
39-4tn. No. 1058

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WANTED—At once, capable girl or woman for general housework. Highest wages paid. Apply to Mrs. V. C. French, phone 134. Wetaskiwin. 42-tf

POSITION WANTED—By man and wife, on farm preferred. Experienced. Apply to Ben Johnson, Duhamel, care of C. A. Johnson. 40-3t

WANTED—To hear from owner of good Farm for sale. State cash price full particulars. D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn. 42-13t

TEACHER WANTED—For Rapid Creek school, duties to begin January 9th. Apply stating salary and qualifications, to N. H. Hastings, R1, Brightview, Alta. 42-1tn.

TEACHER WANTED—For Buck Lake S.D., No. 3220. School to start January, 1922. Address all communications to Welbery Willson, Secretary Buck Lake S. D. 3220, Minnehik, Alberta. 38-tfn.

FOR SALE, OR EXCHANGE—As I expect to rent my farm, I will dispose of my 4-bottom Oliver Gang Plow, will take young horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, lumber, grain or sawmill in exchange.

FOR RENT—Good stable, accommodation for eight horses and good hay mow, corner Stanley and Alberta Sts.

LAND FOR RENT—Half section, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Falun, practically wild will rent for three years for taxes on condition. For information re above, Apply to Box "P" Times Office, or phone R1516, Wetaskiwin. 39-3t

THE NEW CANADIAN CABINET

Ottawa, Dec. 29—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, Liberal leader, was sworn in as prime minister this afternoon. His cabinet slate is officially announced as follows, by provinces:

Saskatchewan—Hon. William Richard Motherwell, minister of agriculture.

Alberta—Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior, superintendent general of Indian affairs, minister of mines.

British Columbia — Hon. Hewitt Bostock, M.A., minister of public works.

Nova Scotia—Hon. William Stevens Fielding, LL.D., D.C.L., minister of finance; Hon. Daniel Duncan Mckenzie, minister without portfolio and solicitor general.

New Brunswick—Hon. A. B. Copp, LL.B., secretary of state.

Prince Edward Island—Hon. John Even Sinclair, minister without portfolio.

Quebec—Hon. Raoul Dandurand, LL D., K.C., minister without portfolio; Hon. Henri Severin Beland, B.A., M.D., minister of soldiers' re-establishment and minister in charge of the department of health; Hon. Sir Lomer Gouin K.C.M.G., LL.D., minister of justice; Hon. Jacques Bureau, LL.B., minister of customs and excise; Hon. Ernest Lapointe, B.A., LL.B., K.C., minister of marine and fisheries; Hon. James Alexander Robb, minister of trade and commerce.

Ontario—Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, C.M.G., M.A., LL.B., LL.D, prime minister and secretary of state for external affairs, president of the privy council; Hon. George Perry Graham, minister of militia and defence, and minister of the naval service; Hon. Charles Murphy, B.A., K.C., postmaster general; Hon. Thomas Andrew Low, minister without portfolio; Hon. William Costello Kennedy, minister of railways and canals; Hon. James Murdock, minister of labor.

Wetaskiwin Markets

January 4, 1922

No. 1 Northern	.76
No. 2 Northern	.73
No. 3 Northern	.68
No. 4 Northern	.60
Oats	.15 - .24
Barley	.30
Rye	.34 - .57
Steers	3.00 - 4.00
Cows	2.00 - 3.00
Hogs	9.00
Sheep	5.00
Lambs	7.00
Eggs	.40 - .50
Butter	.25 - .35
Potatoes	.35

While we, in this country, have been enjoying our Christmas and our well-fed and clothed children have been doing likewise, 10,000,000 children (no mistake in these figures) in Russia are facing starvation and ultimate death.

A Famous Sea Captain

Late Commander of the "Empress of France."



Late Captain Cook.

The Canadian Pacific recently lost by death in England one of their popular sea captains when Captain Ebenezer Cook, R.N.R., late commander of the Canadian Pacific liner "Empress of France" passed away at his residence at Great Crosby.

After conveying Mr. A. J. Balfour and other prominent Peace Conference delegates across the Atlantic, Captain Cook was taken ill on arrival at Quebec. He was lying ill on the steamer on her return voyage, and when the steamer reached Liverpool he was removed by ambulance to his home, but too late to recover.

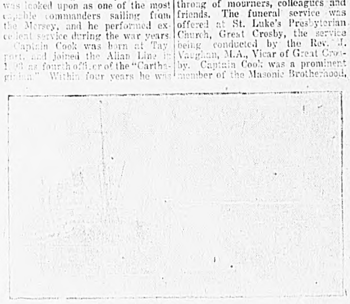
The late Captain Cook, who was 58 years of age, was a man of fine appearance, and possessed a most courteous and genial disposition. He was looked upon as one of the most capable commanders sailing from the Mersey, and he performed excellent service during the war years.

Captain Cook was born at Tayport, and joined the Allan Line in 1898 as fourth officer of the "Carthaginian." Within four years he was promoted to chief officer of the "Tunisian," and he became the Commander of the "Orcadian" in 1911. On the commencement of the war the Admiralty placed him in command of the "Victorian," and later he was given the command of the "Alsatian," at that time flagship to the 10th Cruiser Squadron of the North Atlantic.

Following the Armistice, the Canadian Pacific Company retained him as commander of the "Alsatian," which liner, following her conversion from war service, was renamed the "Empress of France." Captain Cook has since sailed regularly on this liner, and he was very highly esteemed by ocean travellers, including such distinguished passengers on the "Empress of France" as the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Lord Byng (Governor-General of Canada), and the Rt. Hon. Mr. A. J. Balfour.

The high esteem in which the late Commander Ebenezer Cook was held manifested itself at the funeral which was attended by a large throng of mourners, colleagues and friends. The funeral service was offered at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, Great Crosby, the service being conducted by the Rev. J. Vaughan, M.A., Vicar of Great Crosby. Captain Cook was a prominent member of the Masonic Brotherhood, being attached to Crosby Lodge 3714. At the funeral the Canadian Pacific Steamships Limited were represented by J. A. Martin, London Manager, who also represented Sir Thomas Fisher, general manager; Capt. J. V. Foster, Liverpool Steamships manager; W. J. Sargent, consulting engineer; Capt. Maxwell, marine surveyor; D. Hallan, chief catering superintendent; W. Davies, dock superintendent; Capt. A. H. Sargent, R.N.R.; A. C. Wilson, shipping master; T. McNeil, Liverpool general agent, C. P. R., who represented Sir George McLaren Brown, European general manager; R. A. Swain, passenger agent, C.P.R. A large number of the officers and staff of the "Empress of France" and "Empress of Britain" were present.

Many beautiful floral tributes were laid on the grave.



"Empress of France" arriving at Quebec, on which Captain Cook made his last trip to Canada.

SCIENCE SHOULD HELP FARMING CONDITIONS

Toronto, Dec. 30—Addressing the afternoon session of the American Association for the advancement of science, Sir Clifford Sifton emphasized particularly the necessity for improving the conditions of life on the farm. So important did the former minister of the interior consider this that he declared: "Nothing is more worthy of the attention of the men of science and education than the amelioration of the conditions of the farmer and his family by inventions and appliances which will facilitate as far as possible the performance of the ordinary work of the farm and which will improve the productivity of the soil.

"Without going into further details I would put as the very first requirement in the development of natural resources, recognition of the fact that the most important resource is agriculture and the improvement of conditions on the farm to the end that the exodus from the farm may be stopped and farming operations rendered more easy and comfortable." continued Sir Clifford, amidst applause.

"Nothing has been done to improve the conditions of life in the country and particularly that portion of the farm work which is done by the farmer's wife. It remains as before, absolutely slavish. It ought not to be beyond the resources of science to provide some method whereby the ordinary domestic work of the farm could be done without the continuous and slavish labor which is now demanded.

"I am quite certain that the movement from the farm to the city is largely due to the revolt of the farmer's wife and family against the slavish work which they have to do, and this revolt is in my judgment is amply justified by the conditions. When it is said that the interests of the country require the promotion of a movement to get people back to the farm, the answer is that what is wanted is not propaganda, but something that will render life upon the farm more tolerable.

"It is not for nothing that the farmer has gone into politics. The basic industry of this country is crying out for help, and the help that is required is not subsidies, and not spoon-feeding but action which will place the work of the farm upon a better and more comfortable and more remunerative basis. The successful carrying out of the farms of Canada depends upon the domestic work in the farmer's kitchen and barnyard."

ALBERTA IS GREAT AND IS GROWING GREATER

To the people of Alberta:

On the occasion of the coming in of the New Year we feel inclined to wonder what it holds for us. We look on the past year with a mixed feeling of satisfaction and regret. Satisfaction at the steady return of conditions toward normality, and regret at the drawbacks and difficulties experienced by farmers, manufacturers and merchants. But let us now look forward to the coming year. Alberta, the province of hope and optimism, energy and enterprise, can face the coming year with confidence. The immediate future holds for us all indications of great prosperity, and it is my earnest belief that the time is opportune for Alberta to expect a period of development such as never before been known in our history. People of Alberta, stand true to your province, keep strong your faith in her, put forth your greatest effort to make Alberta what you wish her to be, and by your every word and action offer an example of sane, cheerful optimism and confidence in the possibilities of our province. Do not listen to the wail of the long-faced individual who holds no hope or future for us. Alberta is Great, is growing Greater, and soon will take her rightful place as the Banner Province of Canada. The year 1922 holds for us the Opportunity of doing great things. We must not let this opportunity pass; grasp it, and spread the spirit of faith and optimism, do you share, and we will build up a country which will be a source of great pride to ourselves and an incentive for others to come to live among us. Let us thank the Master for His many mercies, and pray for His help that we may live lives after His example.

May the light which illumines the road to health, prosperity and happiness burn steadily for you during all the New Year.

R. G. Brett,
Lieutenant Governor

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Cloth Top Rubbers $1.65

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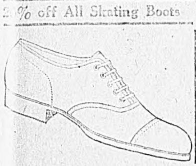
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MULHURST

Our Christmas entertainment was voted a grand success. Quite a number from Bonnie Glen were present and also took part. This was Miss Boop's maiden attempt to stage an entertainment of this kind and it would hardly be fair to make any special mention of any that took part. It was all good. The tree was nicely decorated and there were presents for everybody.

hTe Spring Hill school board held their last meeting for the year on December 26. After passing a number of accounts and setting the date for the annual meeting to be held at the school on January 12, at 2 p.m. They also decided that Miss Boop continue her service for 1922 and every effort be made to start the school on February first.

There was quite a number from Mulhurst attending the meeting held at the Pipestone school for the purpose of electing a member on the investigating committee of the affairs of Division 6 of M.D. of Bigstone. Meeting was called to order by Mr. Harris and Mr. Orrock's resignation was accepted.

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J. H. Burleigh was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Harris also handed in his resignation, which was accepted, and Jas. W. Dotterer was elected to fill the vacancy. Mr. Dotterer is the chairman of the present committee.

The investigation meeting may take place the first week in February at the Pipestone school.

The market is quite slow for fish.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shaw of West Liberty, were guests over New Year's at Mr. G. H. Mulligan's.

Mrs. Oscar Wagar has been visiting her sister Mrs. Van Valkenburg, for the festive holidays.

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CURLING SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 5th, 8 p.m.

2—Torgerson vs Christopher
3—Russell vs Montgomery
4—French, V.C., vs French, H. R.
1—Smee vs Miquelon

Friday, January 6th, 8 p.m.

3—Murray vs Torgerson
4—Wilkins vs Russell.
1—Heric vs Rubbra
2—Merner vs Wells

Monday, January 9th, 8 p.m.

3—Duke vs Wright
4—Ellis vs Montgomery
1—Manley vs French, H. R.
2—Gothard vs Smee

Tuesday, January 10th, 8 p.m.

3—McMurdo vs Kirsten
4—Orr vs Christopher
1—Enman vs Merner
2—Grabham vs V. C. French.

***Mary Pickford is coming to the Angus Theatre on Jan. 11th and 12th, "Through the Back Door."

Scientists tell us a bee can carry three times its own weight while flying. Yes, and lift three thousand times its weight when sat upon.

Mrs. Arvilla Torrance has entered the Bulletin subscription contest as the candidate for the Wetaskiwin district. She would appreciate it if anyone contemplating taking either the daily or semi-weekly Bulletin would pay their subscription to her.

CHRISTMAS AT THE PROVINCIAL MENTAL HOSPITAL, PONOKA

Scenes of activity have been very marked during the last two weeks in the different wards of the Provincial Mental Hospital during the past two weeks. Whichever ward one enters "A Merry Christmas" meets the eye as soon as the door is opened and the interior decorations are a vision of loveliness combined with artistic taste. It almost looks as though each ward had endeavored to outdo the other in the artistic nature of the decorations.

The residents of the hospital were awakened (those who happened to be asleep) on Christmas Eve by the soft and melodious tones of a mixed choir which made a tour of the building and sang Christmas carols at each ward. The idea of arranging for a choir to sing carols was arranged less than twenty-four hours previously, but, judging from the manner in which the different voices blended with one another, one would have thought they had been practising together for some months past.

With the advent of Christmas, the staff and patients have combined to give themselves up entirely to amusement. Individual wards have had Christmas trees and parties, to which staff and patients from other wards were invited to share in. On Wednesday, the 25th, the Hospital Christmas tree was held in the Recreation hall. Much time an dlabor had been spent for days past on the hall to make it look as beautiful as possible, and the spectacle it presented when complete reflects great credit on those who carried out the decorations. Two big Christmas trees stood in the centre of the hall and although the boughs of both were laden almost to breaking point with presents, yet many of the gifts had to be placed on the floor around the trees. At 7.30 p.m. prompt Santa Claus entered the hall from one of the side doors and was conducted around the hall by the medical superintendent. He then, with willing helpers, distributed the presents to over 300 patients who were well enough to attend. It is easy to realize that Santa and his staff were not idle during the next hour. Next followed a few vocal selections by members of the staff, after which ice cream was served, and the remainder of the evening was devoted to dancing.

The Alberta wrestling championships for 1922 have been granted to the Y.M.C.A. of Edmonton by the Alberta Amateur Athletic Union. They will be held between March 15 and April 15.

MILLET

The Millet Minstrels made their first public appearance last Friday night to a crowded house, all seating accomodation being taken up and standing room only available. Every seat, form chair or stool that could be borrowed for the occasion was pressed into service, but still there were lots of people who stood during the performance. Not one of the largest audiences that turned out to a local event, but the largest. The stage was well arranged with scenery, new footlights were installed and nothing was left undone to make the first local Minstrel Show a success. The opening chorus was sung as the curtain was slowly raised, giving the audience their first view of the twenty-six Ethiopians. The programme consisted of the old plantation medleys and songs. Great effect was given to the rendering by the chorusses being whistled. Local jokes were the order of the evening, there being a joke on each of the merchants, Jean Pinyon and Ian Halliday as corner men provided a huge amount of fun. George Parfeit and Phil Jordan brought down the house with "Keep in the Middle of the Road, and for an encore gave the old nigger song, "Oh, Dem Golden Slippers." Ian Halliday and Douglas Halliday make a great team and received a big ovation. Geo. Rodney gave a nigger oration and lecture. Fred Higgenson's rendering of "Old Virginy" was a great treat. Claret Moen certainly knows how to put a joke over and make it stick. Mel James had got it down pat and gave one the impression that he must have been down south. Guy Browning sang "Nellie Gay" with great effect. J. Halliday as interlocutor helped greatly and ably conducted the troop. Other performers who, with the above members of the troupe made the Boosters' Minstrels the success it was were the following: Tom Rodney, G. Moen, H. Moen, A. Threadgould, N. Gergison, F. Mayne, Harry Moffatt, A. McLeod, and Ordie Wolf. Credit is also due W. H. Rowlandson, who as director, kept every one in clockwork order and was the means of the entertainment going without a hitch.

After the show the manager received quite a few offers to take the troupe to the neighboring towns and as soon as dates are arranged the Millet Boosters will accept the offer.

The community dance was well attended. The feature of the evening being the moonlight dance introducing special electrical effects. The next big event in Millet will be the Boosters Masquerade dance, the date to be announced later.

The Millet W.I. will hold their January meeting in the Methodist church at 2 o'clock January 11th. It is requested that everyone should try to be there as important business is to come before this meeting. Response to roll call—Good New Year resolutions as regards the Institute—how we can improve it and help each other.

The ladies of the English church wish to thank all the ladies who so kindly donated cakes and sandwiches for the supper at the Boosters' dance last Friday, and also the ladies who so kindly helped.

The first council meeting for the year 1922 took place on Tuesday. The council for the year being sworn in. Council meetings are the first Monday in each month and ratepayers are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Parker returned from Calgary where they spent the Christmas holidays.

The annual meeting of the Millet Agricultural society will be held at Pinyon's hall on Saturday, January 14, when officers will be elected for 1922. All agriculturists are requested to be at the meeting and help make the laws for the coming year and to make suggestions for a better fair. Every one, whether a member or not is earnestly requested to be present.

If you have a kick, bring it with you and don't forget to register it. Don't tell it on the street, tell it at the meeting.

We had a letter from Milton and Mantle from Toronto the other day, and they both wish to be remembered to all in the Millet district.

The Ladies' Aid Society is meeting on Thursday the 5th inst. at Mrs. W. A. McAllister's. Every member is urged to be present. Important business will be transacted and a most enjoyable time anticipated.

The Ladies' Circle at Larch Tree are meeting this week at the home of Mrs. McConnel, on Thursday, January 5th.

Let every Christian and church member, make a special effort to come out on Friday evening to the church for a special meeting of prayer, praise and fellowship. This is universally the week of prayer. Come prepared to speak but briefly upon your plans for the coming year in Christ's service. Everyone is welcome. Special singing and music.

The Young People's Society will meet for their regular program on Monday, January 9. Let each member be present.

The Sunday school Christmas tree held in the Methodist church on Tuesday evening, December 27th, was a most gratifying success. The program was entirely different from the accustomed musical and recitative entertainment. The church was appropriately decorated with evergreens and trailing flowers while two large trees, one on each side of the platform to receive gifts for the poor and to receive the tree for the Sunday school children. Both were tastefully decorated. Games and an informal

SEED TESTING IS EMPHASIZED BY DEPARTMENT

Strong precautions as to the necessity of testing seed grain is being emphasized by the Dominion seed branch which has its laboratories at Calgary. A representative of this department collected samples of seed in the Grand Prairie, Sexsmith, Clairmont, Spirit River, Waterhole, and Peace River districts last October to test for germination. The results obtained show that there are territories there that had frosted grain, while in other places the germination was so high that the department called attention to the necessity of seeing that the grain will germinate before the final test at seeding time.

The results indicated very clearly that quite a percentage of oats in practically all these districts mentioned had been subjected to frost and the vitality more or less injured. Half the samples collected showed a germination of less than eighty per cent with an average of 45 per cent. However samples were secured from every district that gave a germination of over eighty per cent and of these the average was as high as 92 per cent, which went to show that all districts had plenty of good seed oats to fill all requirements if they were properly distributed. The seed branch suggests that every care be taken to have germination tests made.

An impatient customer in a confectionery store rapped sharply on the counter. "Here, young lady," she called, "who waits on the nuts?"

The maritime provinces experienced very severe weather on Friday last. In Nova Scotia, severe blizzards were reported and several ships have been wrecked.

GENERAL NEWS

The last three weeks in the Provincial Red Cross headquarters have been busy ones. In addition to the large shipments of clothing which were sent out, large batches of toys were dispatched.

A national Conservative convention should be held at Ottawa "at the earliest possible date," is the opinion of Hon. Robert Rogers, for the purpose of selecting a leader.

Regina, December 30.—At a meeting of unemployed held here Tuesday evening a resolution for consideration by the city council was drawn up asking for cash payments instead of meat and bed tickets. It is claimed the resolution will be presented by a deputation from the workless to a meeting of the council.

Chicago, Jan. 2.—Two Chicago banks with resources of more than $85,000,000 were sold tonight after the Chicago clearing house committee had conducted an examination and found their assets had been impaired by bad loans and investments. After two days' negotiations the Fort Dearborn National Bank and the Fort Dearborn Trust and Savings Bank were purchased by the Continental and Commercial National Bank and Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank. Members of the clearing house committee pooled guarantees totalling $2,500,000 to protect depositors against any loss.

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W. C. T. U.

Lady Astor, member of the British house of parliament, has sent a letter to the conference transmitting the views of English women on the arms parley, as expressed through eighty-seven national organizations. The reply is voiced by the four women members of the advisory committee, who breathe faith in the outcome of the conference as marking a new era in diplomacy. Public opinion having found a new way to power and is effecting the course of statesmen, who, can no longer settle everything behind closed doors. Among the tons of petitions "first and most impressive is the great petition of the W.C.T.U., signed by 200,000 individual women."

Thirty-five years ago our national leader Frances E. Willard lighted the Pence torch of the W.C.T.U., when a department of peace and international arbitration was added to the program of the World's W.C.T.U. Today women of all nations are organizing and falling into line with the faithful pioneers who have so long been pointing the way. Our purpose—The triumph of Christ's Golden Rule, in custom and in law."

In accordance with an agreement, the New Brunswick board of liquor vendors have taken over from the wholesalers their entire stock at cost price, paying $250,000. And the Canadian Gazette now announces that the prohibitory legislation voted on at the October referendum will come into operation in New Brunswick on January 18, 1922. After that there will be little excuse for laxness in enforcing the law.

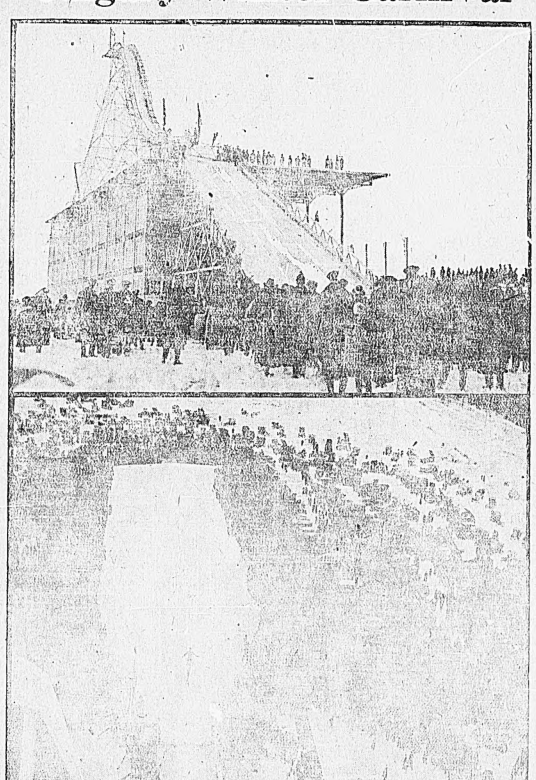
The health records of New York and other large cities give a decline from 687 deaths due to alcoholism in 1916, to 58 in 1920, and a decline of 47 per cent in deaths from liver cirhosis.

Prohibition

Promotes thrift.
Reduces crime.
Overthrows temptation.
Helps down-and-outs to be up-and-in.
Increases employment.
Betters labor conditions.
Improves health.
Transforms homes.
Induces efficiency.
Outgrows habit and appetite
Nurtures morality.

Sir Robert Borden, Canada's representative at the Washington conference declared himself confident on Friday that the naval committee of the world's conference upon the reduction of armaments would make a declaration upon the submarine question which would be highly satisfactory to the civilized world.

Calgary Winter Carnival



At Calgary Carnival last winter. First picture shows the Toboggan Slide, second picture Ski Jumping.

Calgary Winter Carnival will be held early in January, and the programme will include curling and skiing, hockey, skating and all other events usual in winter sports.

The people of the city are giving enthusiastic support to the organizers of the Carnival. Handsome trophies will be offered. Close on forty rinks will be provided for the bonspiel. Daring ski jumpers will attend the Carnival. Speed skaters will turn up from all parts of the West.

Calgary winter carnival promises to be as interesting an event as the Calgary Stampede in the autumn.

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Canadians have grown more and more appreciative of the richness and variety of the Provinces of our Dominion. In British Columbia nature seems to have compressed into a limited space the features of half a continent. Richly endowed with a wealth of forest, mine and stream, a land of lofty mountains, and impetuous rivers it is the great golden west of promise. The city of Vancouver lies on the verge of a glorious waterway—the gateway to the Pacific. Great purple mountains with snow-crest gleaming lie across the inlet. Stanley Park near by is a wonderland of a thousand acres. In the distance can be seen the summit of Mount Baker, robed in everlasting whiteness. In the lovely serenity of the "Sleeping Beauty" Mountain, in the grace and stateliness of the mountains known as "Lions", which stand guard over the harbor, in the placid dignity and grandeur of many other mountains there is unfolded a matchless panorama.

No one can complain of a lack of romance in the Western world. Where stood the forests primeval a few years ago, now rise skyscrapers, handsome churches, splendid educational institutions, and beautiful homes with gardens of roses and gaily bordered paths. The charm of it all is easily understood. An intense local loyalty and a commendable civic pride accomplished much. Vancouver is now one of the greatest seaports in the world, possessing one of the most beautiful sites imaginable.

Cosmopolitan are the throngs that crowd Vancouver streets. In the procession go the Chinese, Japanese, Hindu, the Indian, and men from all climes, but the white man predominates, as does his civilization.

Vancouver is of the 20th century full of up-to-date spirit, impregnated with optimism and marked by its bigness of plans.

(1) Canadian Pacific Railway Station at Vancouver, B.C.
(2) English Bay, Vancouver.
(3) Douglas Fir Trees in Stanley Park, Vancouver.



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In Tweed, Velour, Duvetyn, Salt's Plush, etc. All to be cleared out at HALF PRICE. Now is the time to procure a good coat for little money.

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Ladies' Voile Blouses. Regular values up to $3.75. To be cleared at **$1.45**

Ladies' Voile Blouses, reg. to $11.00. Sale.... **$2.95**

All Georgettes, Crepe de Chines, etc at **25% DISCOUNT**

FLANNEL MIDDIES

Ladies', reg. to $6.25. Sale Price **$3.95**

Children's, reg. to $4.75. Sale Price **$2.95**

Ladies' and Children's Underwear, all to clear at a reduction of 20%.

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Curtain Scrims and Nets in a great variety at a discount of **25%**

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GINGHAMS

Plaid Ginghams, 27 ins wide, in a variety of checks, at pre yard, Sale Price ..... **.20**

PRINTS

Potter's Best English Prints, all colors. To clear at **.27½**

LADIES' BEAVER HATS

Ladies' Beaver Hats in black, taupe, camel, blue, etc. Regualr price was $8.50. Sale Price **$2.95**

Wool Toques, regular 85c to $1.25. Sale Price .. **.65**

Toques and Scarf Sets. All to go at HALF PRICE.

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Regular price $6.50, Sale price $4.95
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Regular price $13.00. Sale price **$9.95**
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Regular Price $7.50. Sale Price **$5.45**

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Blue Serge, regular $7.50. Sale price **$5.95**
Brown Tweed, regular $5.75. Sale Price **$3.95**
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Men's All Wool Mackinaws, Sale Price **$9.95**
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LADIES' HOUSE DRESSES

Regular prices $3.00 to $7.00 All must go. Your choice for **$2.45**



SILK DRESSES

In all the lastest styles. Regular $20.00 to $40.00. All must go at **HALF PRICE**

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In good quality serge. Regular from $20 to $40. To clear at ..... **HALF PRICE**

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All Wool Blue Serge, 54 ins wide, per yard **$2.45**
All Wool Burgundy Serge, per yard, Sale Price **$2.35**
All Wool Shepherd Checks, per yard, Sale price **$2.25**
All Wool Blue Serge, per yard, Sale Price **$1.50**
All Wool Opera Flannel, 59 ins. wide, in colors of red, taupe, green, rose, etc. per yard, Sale price **$2.15**
All Wool Grey Flannel, per yard, Sale price ..... **.60**
Flannelette, per yard, Sale price, **.18, .20, .25, .30**

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Taffetas, per yard, Sale Price **$1.95**
Paillette, per yard, Sale Price ..... **$1.65** and **$2.25**
Habutai, per yard, Sale Price **.40, .60, .95, $1.35**
Velvets, per yard, Sale Price **$1.25**

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Sateen Underskirts of splendid quality. All colors. Regular price $2.25. Sale price **$1.50**

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AN UNUSUAL FATAL RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

Blairmore, Dec. 26—A pall of gloom was suddenly cast over Christmas festivities in Blairmore and Coleman by an accident which happened at nine p.m. on Christmas Eve, in which Edward Oliver of Coleman lost his life, and M. G. Rhynas, goalkeeper of the Blairmore hockey team, sustained serious injuries, and Dr. J. Oliver, the president of Blairmore's new ice arena, and brother of the dead man, was also painfully injured.

Seven men had just made an inspection of the new arena here and were returning to Coleman in Dr. Oliver's car, when in the west edge of town they were met by a runaway horse belonging to the Coleman Trading Co., attached to a delivery wagon. Maddened and blinded by the headlights of the auto, the animal dashed into the car broadside, as Dr. Oliver, who was driving, tried frantically to avoid the animal by veering the car to one side. Striking the car with terrific impact the animal landed on top of Oliver and Rhynas, breaking the former's back and crushing his chest, and also breaking Rhynas' hip and otherwise crushing him. Dr. Oliver sustained a broken nose and was severely bruised. The other members of the party escaped with a severe shaking up. The impact killed the horse instantly and badly wrecked the car.

Edward Oliver died five hours after the accident. He leaves a wife and three children, all of whom are spending the Christmas holidays in eastern Canada.

ALBERTA SETS A BUTTER RECORD

Twelve and a half million pounds of creamery butter was manufactured in the province of Alberta in 1921 according to the figures that have so far been compiled by the dairy commissioner.

Buttermaking as an Alberta industry forges steadily to the front and next year it is expected that the production will perhaps run to an increase over this year of thirty per cent. The increase in the amount of cheese manufactured this year was 130 per cent over last year's make, and with more factories being built, it is expected that more cheese will also be made next year.

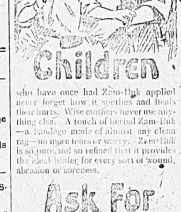
The butter manufacturing this year in the province will approximate 12,525,000 pounds and the price has held up remarkably well. Taken for the year, the price received has been 60 per cent of last year, which, taking into consideration the drop in other farm products, is rather remarkable.

In the flush production of early June, the price took a violent drop, and the farmers rather dropped the business at the time but the price swung steadily back and has held very steady ever since. Compared with other places, the commissioner points out that in Denmark the price received for butter this year was only fifty per cent of what it was last year.

There has been little disposition on the part of the trade to store butter this year and there is little on hand now. As to the probability of Australia and New Zealand capturing the winter trade at the coast for good and all, the commissioner states that he is of the opinion that this would depend largely on the quality and quantity of our winter make here.

A New Year's Purpose

You are to go on the road you see to be the straight one, carrying whatever you find is given you to carry, as well and as stoutly as you can, without making faces, or calling people to come and look at you.—Joe Phillip.



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"My sleep at night did me little good for I would wake up at all hours and then get up feeling as tired as if I hadn't gone to bed at all. In fact I felt miserable all the time. One day I happened to hear a man telling how much Tanlac had done for him, so I began taking it and the results have been nothing less than remarkable. To put it all in a nut-shell, I am now as strong as ever I was in my life and I consider Tanlac well worth recommending to everybody."

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DOES BUSINESS ON OTHER MAN'S CASH

The mail order man doesn't need to have any of his own capital invested in his business—or any large amount of it, at least, in proportion to the volume of the business which he does. He does not have to pay interest to the banks on money borrowed to help him finance his business. The mail order man figures that about one half of the amount he receives on any order goes to the wholesale or manufacturer in payment for the goods ordered. Of the remainder, a part goes for postage printing, maintenance of office and plant, insurance, etc. What is left, which is by no means an insignificant part of every dollar received, goes into dividends to stockholders in the mail order corporation. All this has been done without any capital other than that which may be required to pay office expenses.

Suppose, for a minute, that you did business with the local merchants on the same plan. Suppose that they did not carry any goods in stock, that when you wanted to buy something you should go to one of your home merchants, look in his catalogue and pick out an article that seemed to be similar to the one you wanted, hand over the price as shown in the catalogue and tell him to order it for you. The merchant would take your money and you would wait for the goods until they arrived from a distant city.

But the people who make up any community are not nearly as anxious to furnish capital to the home merchant—the man who helps "make" the town—as they are to the mail order man in the far distant city who does nothing and cares nothing for the people who furnish him the money on which to do business. They insist that the home merchant shall carry a large stock of goods from which they can select what they wish, when they think it is to their interest to buy from him. They insist that he shall stand back of the goods he sells and make good any defect that may appear in them. They insist that he shall sell them what they wish and wait for the money until they get ready to pay for it. They insist that he shall sell goods at the same prices or lower prices than the mail order houses charge for goods of a poorer quality. And finally, they insist that the home merchant shall furnish the large amount of capital that is required to carry on a business on this plan.

The mail order buyer may say that he has the right to spend his money anywhere he pleases, and he has legally. But he probably has never stopped to reflect on the fact that he is supplying the capital for the operation of a concern which is in direct competition with enterprises in which he is directly interested, for every man, woman and child in a town is directly interested in the success of the business enterprises in his town. If these business enterprises are not prosperous, the town cannot be prosperous. To supply capital to your competitor is not very good business.

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TOWN TOPICS

Miss M. L. Donahue spent New Year's as Coronation.

Will Ochs was at Edmonton during the past week, on a brief holiday.

O. Hanson visited at the home of Mrs. Ryan of Wetaskiwin during Christmas week.

Mrs. Winnifred Walker spent part of the vacation with friends at Edmonton.

Mr. Craig of Edmonton, spent the week-end visiting his brother, A. S. Craig in the district, and also at the home of his nephew, L. G. Kelley.

There will be a meeting of the members of the Peace Hill chapter I.O.D.E. on Tuesday, January 10th, at the home of Mrs. T. C. Rubbra.

A public meeting will be held in the Methodist church on Monday evening, Jan. 16th, when an address will be given by Mr. Robert White, on "The Needs of To-day."

E. D. H. Wilkins went to Edmonton last week to undergo an operation in one of the hospitals. It is reported he is convalescing nicely, and will soon be home again.

The schools in the city re-opened after the vacation Wednesday morning. The only change in the teaching staff is the resignation of Miss McIntosh, and the engaging of Mrs. Munn as teacher of Grade VI.

The regular monthly meeting of the Cherry Grove local U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Switzer on Friday, Jan. 6th, at 8 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

A surprise party took place at the home of Mrs. J. Dahms on Saturday evening, when a number of her friends assembled and presented her with a beautiful oak rocker. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable time was spent in card playing and dancing.

The trustees of the skating rink, namely Messrs. C. Smith. B. M. Parker G. L. Gothard, wish to announce that the debt on the rink has been paid and they are relieved from any further responsibility in connection with the financing of the rink. Stewart Poole is now conducting it on his own account and responsibility.

TOWN TOPICS

Misses Mabel and Mary Ryan, of Edmonton spent Christmas with their parents.

Miss Mary McCuigan, Viking, spent the New Year in Wetaskiwin with her sister, Mrs. Matt Schreifels.

Frank Higgins has purchased the wood business of Douglas & McKay. He was a former partner of Mr. Douglas.

Mrs. John Ambler, who is now residing near Minburn, is spending a few days in the city and district renewing old acquaintances.

Monday last—New Year's Day—was quietly observed in the city. The only attraction was the curling games between rinks from Daysland and Wetaskiwin for the Whyte & Orr trophy.

The Knox troop of Boy Scouts intend holding their annual Masquerade Carnival at the skating rink about Friday, January 27. Several prizes will be given for the best costumes, both for children and adults.

The many friends are sorry to learn that a little son of Mr and Mrs. J. P. Johnson was taken to the hospital this week, where an operation for appendicitis was performed. He is progressing as well as can be expected.

L. S. Page, who has been assistant manager in the Imperial Bank here for some time, was promoted last week to the position of manager of the branch at Ruddell, Sask., and he and Mrs. Page have left for their new home. Their many friends regret their departure from the city, but are glad to hear of Mr. Page's promotion.

CHURCH CHIMES

EV. LUTHERAN

Service next Sunday at 10.45 a.m. English service in the evening at 7.45 p.m.

Annual meeting at 2 p.m.

IMMANUEL CHURCH

Sunday, January 8th.

Holy Communion, 8 a.m.

Matins and Holy Communion, at 11 a.m.

Hymns 99, 95, 94, 236.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Wm. H. Irwin, Pastor.

10 a.m.—A special address to new church members.

2.30—Sunday school and adult bible class.

7.30—Subject: "The Meaning of Life."

KNOX CHURCH

Sunday, January 8th.

Public worship at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

2.30 p.m.—Sunday school and Young People's bible class.

The annual congregational meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 11th at 8 p.m.

Rev. J. M. Pritchard, B.D.
Minister

WEEK OF PRAYER

A good crowd attended the opening service of the week of prayer, in which the three leading protestant churches of Wetaskiwin are co-operating. The service was held in Immanuel church on Tuesday. The address was delivered by Rev. W. H. Irwin of the Methodist church, who spoke on the need of religion in the home.

He said: "The passing of the family altar has meant that the functioning of religion no longer rests with the man but the woman of the house has had to assume the whole responsibility. The religious relationship between man and wife has been broken so the discussion on the deeper things of life is about unknown." Mr. Irwin thought that the real spiritual element in society today is the teen age boy and girl and instead of getting it from thel rparents in the home, they are carrying it into their homes. He urged for an hour every week when the family would get together to talk about the deeper things of life.

The second service of the series will be held in the Methodist church on Wednesday evening when Rev. J. M Pritchard will deliver the address and the series will be concluded in Knox church on Thursday evening, when Rev. W. J. James will be the speaker.

Historic Events at Annapolis Royal





(1) The second powder house of the fortress erected in 1708 at Fort Anne, Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, the walls are 4½ feet thick. The first powder house was too damp.

(2) Monument erected by the Canadian Government at Fort Anne to the illustrious memory of Lieut. General Timothé Pierre du Guast, Sieur De Monts the pioneer civilisation in North America.

Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia, has been the scene of many historic celebrations in recent years. An addition to the number was added on August 31st, 1921, when three tablets were unveiled.

Amongst those identified with the event were: Hon. MacCallum Grant, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia; Hon. Justice Chisholm; Hon. Chief Justice Harris; Hon. George H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia; Hon. Sir James Aikens, president of the Canadian Bar Association; Hon. Sir James Lougheed, Minister of the Interior; His Worship Mayor B. B. Hardwick, of Annapolis Royal, and F. C. Whitman, vice-president of the Historical Association of Annapolis Royal Mr. F. M. Fortier, superintendent of Fort Anne, and a committee of Annapolis Royal citizens.

Hon. George H. Murray, Premier of Nova Scotia, presented the first tablet, which bears appropriate historical emblems and the following inscription:—

1621—1921

The tablet, placed here by the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia, A.D. 1921, commemorates the three hundredth anniversary of the issue of the charter of New Scotland, by King James I of England and VI of Scotland, A.D. 1621.

The birth of an idea which lived, and had its final fruition in the taking of this Fort and conquest of Acadia in the reign of Queen Anne.

Hon. MacCallum Grant, Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia, unveiled the first tablet.

Hon. Chief Justice Harris, Hon. Sir James Aikens and other speakers on behalf of the legal profession presented the second tablet, inscribed as follows:—

This tablet, placed here by the Bench and Bar of Canada, A.D. 1921, marks the two hundredth anniversary of the establishment and sitting (in this Fort), A.D. 1721, of the first Court administrating English Common Law within what is now the Dominion of Canada.

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Wingate: Maxims, No. 146.

Mr. F. C. Whitman, vice-president of the Historical Association of Annapolis Royal, presented the third tablet, the inscription on which is as follows:—

This tablet, erected A.D. 1921, under the auspices of the Historical Association of Annapolis Royal, commemorates the one hundredth anniversary of the arrival in this town of Thomas Chandler Haliburton, who lived here eight year and began in this place his great career in Law, Literature and Public Life.

In the evening there was an open meeting of the Historical Societies in the Bijou theatre, beginning at 8 o'clock sharp, and a band concert in the Fort, beginning about the same hour.

At the meeting in the theatre the Hon. Justice Chisholm, president of the Nova Scotia Historical Society, took the chair, and papers were read by Colonel Alexander Fraser, LL.D., "The Royal Charter of Sir William Alexander"; Dr. J. Murray Clark, K.C., "The Relations of the British Dominion of Virginia with the Dominion of Canada"; Dr. Charles Morse, D.C.L., K.C., on "The Courts and the Commonwealth"; and John Irvin, K.C., on "A Philosophic Examination of the Spirit of Nova Scotia's First Criminal Laws."

Friend Wife

(BY WILL HOLMES)

Friend wife has been rightly styled "The helpmeet." She is the restored rib. An appendage that is attached to a man, a useful part though not a necessary part of him. If she consents to link her life up with a man for better or for worse, she must take the consequences, and having counted the cost beforehand she generally is uncomplaining. In fact blinded by love she does not discover that she is at any disadvantage, and of course hubby also blinded by love forgets to compare her share in the success of their common enterprises with his own. Being an appendage it is fitting that she should take his name, also that she should wear a ring, a badge to show that she is "taken" like the sign we have seen attached to a piece of furniture "sold" or the ticket on a seat in the theatre, "reserved".

If we did not love our wives we would find them a costly luxury, of course no self-respecting man would think of counting the cost, at the same time business is business, and having taken her for keeps, she cannot be fattened and sold like a head of stock, and times being hard, things that we can realize on must ocupy our attention so far as their physical appearance is concerned. That's how it is that we notice the cattle growing sleek and fat and we fail to notice (blinded by love) that friend wife is an appendage and consequently interested more in the fattening of the cattle than in the fattening of herself is a party to her own neglect. When she sees from the door of her shanty the commodious barn for the stock she is glad. It will mean that after a few generations of stock they will have a home to match the barn provided the machinery required for the farm doesn't cost too much. A man cannot be expected to run a farm without the most modern labor-saving devices, pumping water for instance, is too primitive to be considered and if friend wife will recognize that fact and keep the love of her husband, some day an electric washer may replace the washboard. But such luxuries in the home for "friend wife" cannot be expected until the necessities for "hubby dear" are provided.

Let us stay with this home for a moment. I am interested in it because a soul inhabits it. Little ones are born in it. It is the workshop of one of God's creatures. The ventilation is poor but women do not know much about ventilation, one becomes accustomed to anything, and then there is fresh air twice a day on the way to the barn to milk the cows. A man can not be expected to do everything with a crop of grain and a barn yard of stock to raise, what is there to raising a troop of children in a little four roomed house? If it were not for the wood and water to be carried and the stoves to be kept going life for friend wife would be one long holiday, so she does not consider it any hardship to milk the cows, attend to the separator, and churn the butter. But she can't be milking all the time so she becomes responsible for the poultry as well. It is a kindness to allow her to do their outside chores because two or three husky children can make the ordinary house a bughouse for any mortal on a winter's day, as hubby has probably been aware, once when he condescended to stay home for a day and look after the kids. In fact he spent most of the time pottering around the barn for obvious reasons, and was forced to admit that if he was a woman he would soon be crazy. Still the wife is only the appendage unworthy of the solitude of a box stall.

Who owns the farm anyway? Who determines what shall be bought and what shall not be bought? What shall be grown and what shall not be grown? One day she asks "Are you thinking of selling out, dear?" "Not until I can get a little better price." Everything in the way of policy hinges on his will, she acts inan advisory capacity. The Dower act pacifies the dissenters. Thank God, I am not married to one of them. The dissatfied wives are the most miserable of all and a miserable wife makes a miserable home.

For a home to be happy there must be a balance between brute and heart, brute tenacity is necessary, but so is heart affection. No man should corner the brute, claim the right to indulge in the bad habits, use the course language, discipline the children and transact the business. If he does the wife will have all the heart, monopolize the religion, teach the children their prayers, produce the culture and all the finer qualities and with it all carry in silence the cruel cross of a crushed spirit. If with it all she seems contented and happy it is only an evidence of the great virtue of a highly develope dspirit, and if a man is contented to let it go at that, he will prove a better stock raiser than a wife raiser. He hasn't the brains to qualify as a good husband.

The harvest home dance on Friday evening was well attended and everyone had a good time. The Verslake orchestra furnished the music, the violinist being Marcus Barnes of Millet, a boy of only 12 years of age, and who is already very clever with the king of all musical instruments, and will no doubt be heard of in the near future among the musicians of note.—Strome Despatch.

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Flora Dougan, 1197
Harley Johns, 1172
James Dixon, 1141
Loreen Bergen 1135
Ethel Walker 1105
Rudolph Hebner, 1046
Robert Shaw, 1041
Elsie Walker 1022
Frank Morrison 1007
Esther Robertson 965
Lorraine Randolph 961
Arthur Felburg 912
Manny Kiel, 869
Percy Ward 869
Mervy Kirby 769
Lauretta Vickers 629
Edmund Stine 609
Walbert Bobo 605

Grade VI.—

Hazel Hanson 1487
Earl Wagar 1465
Henry Kasur 1406
Albert Zielke 1357
Andrew Dougan 1347
Emma Kiefert 1337
Maynard Quick 1207
Leonard Kasur 1075
James Johns 1071

Grade IX.—

Results of examination. The numbers following the names indicate the average standing based on a total of 1000.

Senior:
Connie Macfarlane 778
Ruby Wagar 741
Ruth Allen 739
Ben Farnham 723
Lillian Felland 739
Monica Heric 700
Wilbur Lyle 691
Olive Lawson 686
Edythe Liversidge 679
Dorothy Reist 677
Angus Robertson 671
Ellen Didrikson 671
Sidney Nelson 667
Ruby Bye 662
Minnie Lundell 660
Irene Fee 652
Vivian Millin 649
Martha Brun 64
Mary Bengston 64
Bessie Hladik 632
Reta Hanson 623
Jean Robinson 618
Viola Fee 618
Lizzie Ochs 616
Gerhard Felland 603
Lorraine Miquelon 607

Junior:
John MacEachern 597
Mae Liversidge 569
Erwin Felling 562
Jack Orr 560
Gordon Orr 558
Edmond Patenaude 557
Helen Pelter 540
Elmer Kadlec 533
Bernadine Donnelly 532
George Franklin 533
Agnes Svensen 525
Leon Beguin 522
Agnes Kelley 513
Vina Meyer 610
Raymond Jevne 509
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